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The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
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Dear Supervisors:

**SEXUAL ASSAULT KIT STATUS REPORT**

This correspondence is in response to your Board's May 19 and September 1, 2009, requests for monthly status reports on the Sexual Assault Kit (SAK) audit.

Below is the current data associated with the SAK Backlog Elimination Project for incidents occurring prior to November 1, 2008:

	<u>Initial</u>		<u>Current</u>	
Unanalyzed SAKs	4,673	76%	3,677	60%
Analyzed SAKs	1,439	24%	2,435	40%
<b>Total SAKs</b>	<b>6,112</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>6,112</b>	<b>100%</b>

As of November 18, 2009, 1,899 untested SAKs (41 percent of the initial untested kits) have been outsourced for analysis. For the month of November, a total of 294 SAKs were outsourced. The results received from the outsourced SAKs thus far are as follows:

Sexual Assault Kit (Pre-11/01/2008) Test Results

Positive Biological Material Screen	513	62%
Negative Biological Material Screen	311	38%
<b>Total Results Received</b>	<b>824</b>	<b>100%</b>

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Positive Biological Material Screen SAK (Pre-11/01/2008) Status

## Pending Completion of Technical Review:

<i>Unknown Suspect</i>	93	18%
<i>Known Suspect</i>	198	38%
Failed to Meet CODIS Upload Eligibility Requirements	111	22%
Uploaded to CODIS	111	22%
<b>Total Positive Biological Material Screen</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>100%</b>

Based upon laboratory invoices received, the outsourcing expenditures for the three current months, broken down by funding source, are as follows:

Outsourcing Expenditures - September through November 2009

Month	\$2.3 Million Allocation	DNA Backlog Reduction Grant	Prop. 69	General Fund	Monthly Totals
<b>September</b>	\$0	\$302,172	\$16,599	\$18,923	<b>\$337,694</b>
<b>October</b>	\$150	\$201,770	\$9,964	\$22,610	<b>\$234,494</b>
<b>November</b>	\$65,201	\$73,880	\$0	\$50,592	<b>\$189,673</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$65,351</b>	<b>\$577,822</b>	<b>\$26,563</b>	<b>\$92,125</b>	<b>\$761,861</b>

Personnel Hiring Update

Regarding the six positions (one supervising criminalist and five senior criminalists) authorized by your Board on September 22, 2009, two individuals were selected from the current certification list. Both are currently undergoing background investigations. The three remaining criminalist positions will be filled utilizing the open and continuous examination process, with several oral interviews being scheduled in the near future. A supervising criminalist examination was requested, and a draft promotional opportunities job bulletin has been completed and is in the review process.

Status of Post November 1, 2008, Sexual Assault Kits

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Department) continues in-house testing and outsourcing of SAKs submitted subsequent to November 1, 2008. The Department's Scientific Services Bureau currently has 433 SAKs either undergoing, or in queue, for testing and are broken down into the following categories on the next page:

Sexual Assault Kit (Post-11/01/2008) Status

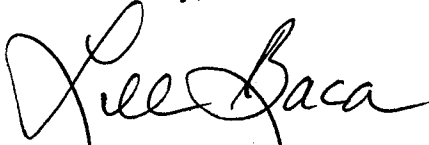
	Unknown Suspect	Known Suspect	Total
Assigned	99	111	210
Pending Assignment	19	204	223
<b>Total</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>433</b>

Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) Matches

A total of 42 confirmed CODIS matches involving Department cases have been made from the uploaded profiles. Of these 42 cases, 28 are currently under investigation. Fourteen cases are closed: 2 resulted in criminal filings, 6 were rejected for filing by the District Attorney's Office, and 6 were closed due to all workable information being exhausted.

Should you have questions or require additional information, please contact Technical Services Division Chief David R. Betkey at (562) 345-4301.

Sincerely,



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